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NOTES OF THE CONVENTION

Memorandum K. W. McKenzie was elected
first vice-president of the Association
of Trade and in all his
hood will succeed to the throne. As
the meeting was held in the
a ruling which he decided like a
ball umpire. Mack would move
of the present confined within
is doubt "Play Ball" is his motto.

The Prince Albert Convention from
the stand point of the entertainment
of the visitors in a market
all future assemblies under the same
suspense will be judged from the
Prince Albert standard.

Secretary Harrison made a magni-
ficent guide for the delegates from
this city. He arranged everything
so, so indulged them, that the Ed-
monton contingent were mistaken as
long the line for the Prince Rupert
party, on route to Mikind Land,
with George Stockand as the repre-
sentative of the Royal House confer-
ring the Order of the Rising Sun on
all his friends.

The efficient services of secretary
K. T. Fisher were recognized on every
hand.

R. N. Wallace, next year's vice-
president, was named with the con-
vention and the entertainment.

There was no delegate at the con-
vention who was listened to with
more pleasure than Mayor Mills of
Edmonton. He took an active part
in the discussions and gave a good
account of himself, the city of which
he is the chief magistrate and the
Board that sent him.

Dr. L. L. Fuller was a constant at-
tendant at the sessions of the meet-
ing and made no concealed objection.

Medicine that presented a great hand-
out to draw to the Mayor's County, Pres-
ident C. S. Frisbie, and secretary
John T. Hall.

It was as much on account of this
situation in debate as in the
practical work of the convention.

J. V. Cunningham, editor of the
Edmonton Journal, who is a delegate
from the Alberta Capital, took
a deep interest in the convention and
a fair share in the debate and a
fair share in the entertainment. He was
personally very popular with the
members of the convention, on the
ground that he is a fair man, on the
ground that he is a fair man.

President Bradshaw of the Prince
Albert Board is in private life an en-
thusiast and insurance man. He has
a winning way that would make
him a happy home to look for
in the hands of the bank, but he
does not.

R. J. Hutchinson of Calgary, the
returning president as general as he
is big. He weighs 250 pounds.

Several Edmonton gentlemen, who
are on route to attend the convention
of the Associated Boards of Trade at
Prince Albert, were in the city for a
couple of hours at noon. Among the
number were Messrs. Fisher, Cunningham,
Hall and James Weir, formerly com-
missioner of the board of trade here,
who extended the glad hand to meet
old acquaintances.

Last summer might think we had
represented ourself as from Edmon-
ton, by reason of the Capital error,
we may say that we represent
from Strathcona. They were "among"
the Edmonton gentlemen or rather
with them and are proud of the associa-
tion.

THE RUSSIAN CRISIS

(Hobbs)

The fact that the dissolution of the
second Duma by an Imperial decree
was expected does not lessen the gravity
of the political crisis it has pre-
cipitated. Nothing on the other
hand is lessened by the fact that no
serious springs have taken place
or likely to take place as the result
of what has happened. Anticipating
the event and being in a position
to face the time of its occurrence,
the Russian Ministers have taken
simple measures to suppress
any disturbance, and have also com-
pletely muzzled the Liberal press. It
may reasonably be expected, therefore
that no dangerous disturbance will
be reported, though there may be the
kind of stir in carrying on the
business of the day in which the
sensations are bound instead of rifles.

The Imperial decree, while it alters
the Parliamentary franchise, provides
for the election of a third Duma, and
exactly affirms the Imperial pro-
pense to carry out political reform
along this line. The Emperor appears
to think that when he is giving his
people the privilege of electing a popu-
lar Assembly he has a moral as well
as a legal right to change from time
to time the conditions of the grant,
and while this point of view may be
unphilosophical it is certainly not
surprising. It is impossible to un-
derstand the situation without keep-
ing in mind the historic fact that the
government is in theory not merely a
despotism but an autocracy, and that
a popular Parliamentary Chamber is
a gift by the autocrat to the people.
Fortunately he has not chosen to
cancel the undertaking. There may
be other clashes between the Czar and
his ministers on the one hand and the
people of the Russian people on the

other before they settle down into
that working relation called in the
language of diplomacy a "modus vi-
vendi," but so long as he maintains
his determination to have a govern-
ment of some sort, the tendency of
the Imperial Duma will probably
be toward practical legislation of the
kind that will be of use to the
and the final emergency of Russia
in the present confined within the
of a nation as truly governing as
either Germany or Austria-Hungary,
her neighbors in Europe.

As a result of the curtail-
ment of freedom of speech, political
clinging and reforming under the
take on the form of organized
of the people, the friends of
Russia, in spite of the
will hope for a different result, they
will prefer a third Duma, elected on
restricted franchise, to futile
of force between armies and mobs.

UPSIDE-DOWN MULLEN.

A Tariff Reformer and One of Na-
ture's Nobodies.

By the death of Cyrus Mullen, who
lived near Gillette, the state of Wy-
oming, if not the entire west, has lost
its most eccentric character.
Mullen was known all throughout
Creek County as "Up-side-down" Mul-
len. He was a sort of hermit and
lived in a log hut about twenty-four
miles west of Gillette. Comparative-
ly little was known of the man fur-
ther than that he was a hermit and
as he never talked to people and al-
ways tried to avoid those he met. It
was known though that Mullen in
his younger days had been an acrobat
in a circus. His age was variously
estimated at from 30 to 60 years.
He had lived in the little Creek coun-
ty hut for many years. It was not
known when he was born, but he was
as attracted attention. He invariably
wore a long coat and a hat.

"Crazy" Well, no, not in the
sense of the word. It was known in
the vicinity of his home, however,
that Mullen was not right on at least
two subjects. They were the make-
up of the human body and the pro-
fessive tariff. Once in a great while
he would come to the town and
would be much interested in the
report of the editors to whom they
were sent.

"The human body," he would write
a column paper, "was made wrong
out. Why should the feet be on
the bottom and the head on top? The
head is the heavier and it should
be on the bottom. For the head to be
downward, that is the reason for
on the back bone to stay down. It
should be on the head and head of
the trunk. Any person can do it with
a little practice. I do, and I am
one of nature's nobodies."—Cyrus
Mullen.

Another time Mullen wrote the same
paper a communication, concerning
the tariff. "Too high, too high on
leather. Shoes cost entirely too
much. Walk on your hands, people
as I do and as nature intended you
should, and save shoe expense. These
are the men who walk on their
hands and thus they are nobodies."
—Cyrus Mullen.

It was figured out by the wise
ones in Creek County that Mullen
learned to walk on his hands while
he was an acrobat. That
troubled him not left him and he was
able to live up to his crazy "upside-
down" motto. People striving to fol-
low Mullen met him once in a
while. Always he would be either
standing or walking on his hands.
About every hundred yards Mullen
would regain his feet to rest. Then
he would dig on his hands again
and away he would go.

People could never approach him
from the front. If he saw them he
would make in haste across the range.
Those who did get him came up from
behind and quietly, too, for the
old man had sharp ears. While walk-
ing on his hands Mullen would wave
his feet together and frequently clap
them together. It was startling, in-
deed, and he would not be disturbed
by the appearance of this strange up-
side down man in the road. Mullen
seemed to be able to walk on his
hands well as he could on his feet.
He had monstrous hands, made so
by the peculiar use to which he put
them. He was not a mere man.
Nobody ever heard him sing
a song or crack a joke, to the know-
ledge of Creek County people, but
on numerous occasions when observ-
ed from behind while upside down he
was noticed to stop by the road
and execute a little dance, putting
his hands on the ground and keep-
ing time to something, probably a
love whistle. Often he would stand
for a period of an hour or a minute
on one hand while he would ar-
range his clothes with the other.

When Mullen came from nobody
knows. He appeared at the little
cabin, long before deserted by the
owner, one July and took up his
residence there. He had some prop-
erty, and he lived on chicken, eggs
and the wild game he could trap. No
account was he at walking upside down
that it was commonly told around
Gillette that he had once run a rabbit
down. This was denied in part by
some of the Creek County people.
They declared he did run a rabbit down
but not until he had wounded it with
a stone.

Mullen was found dead on December
2 by a party of young people, who
visited his cabin determined to corner
the old hermit in his den and find
out something about him. The young
people had gathered at the Bradford
ranch for an evening of dancing.
About ten o'clock one of the girls
asked about Mullen. The discussion
of the old man led finally to a last-
ing. It was that the party give
up dancing for the remainder of the
night, board a hayrack and drive
over to the cabin and interview him,
by force, if necessary. Two foot
boiled miles were hitched to the
wagon and the party struck out across
the range on the sun. The fifteen
miles to the cottage was covered in
about an hour.

With the boys about the party ap-
proached the little log house. A knock
at the door failed to bring a re-
sponse, and after repeated trials to
jounce the inmates of the cabin the
door was kicked in. The room ap-
peared to be empty, so far as Mullen
was concerned, for a moment after
a match had been struck. How-
ever, when the little table candle on
the table was lighted Mullen was
found.

He was standing on his hands in
the center, dead and stiff. He had
died of heart failure.

Near the old man's head was a
scratched note. It followed:
"To the finder:
"I, Cyrus Mullen, know I am about
to die. My heart is failing. I have
no relatives, my mother and father
being killed in the wreck of a circus
train. I have stilled my arms and
shall die on my hands to defeat the
damned tariff. I need no coffin. Dig
a big hole with a posthole digger
and bury me hands down. Good-
bye, world. C.M."

Mullen was not buried as he wish-
ed. He was interred in a coffin
bought by the county, and he now
sleeps 200 yards from his little cabin
in a horizontal position—not stand-
ing on his hands. On a rough board
at his head are the words, now badly
faded:
"UPSIDE-DOWN MULLEN"

—Cyrus Post.

IN THE MATTER OF JENNIE M. KNAPP, INSOLVENT.

Notice is hereby given that the as-
signed assignee of the insolvent,
Knapp, of Strathcona, Alberta, car-
rying on business as milliner, has
made an assignment of her estate to
me for the general benefit of her cre-
ditors under the Assignment Act of
the province of Alberta.
The creditors are notified to meet at
my office at 113 Jasper Ave. East,
in the City of Edmonton, on the
2nd day of July, 1907, at 10 o'clock
in the forenoon, for the purpose of
receiving a statement of the insolvent's
affairs, for the appointment of
superior and the giving of direc-
tions with reference to the disposal of
the estate.

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to rank must file their claims with
me on or before the 15th day of July,
after which date I will proceed to dis-
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J. B. Walker,
Official Assignee.

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